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RESOLUTION NO.

648-00

[Assembly Bill 2558- Senior Volunteer Pilot Programs]

URGING THE STATE LEGISLATURE TO ADOPT ASSEMBLY BILL 2558 TO ESTABLISH A THREE YEAR NEIGHBORHOOD-BASED PILOT PROGRAM TO PROMOTE SENIOR VOLUNTEERS TO WORK WITH CHILDREN AND SCHOOL STAFF.

WHEREAS, California's seniors are the healthiest and most well educated senior population in history; and,

WHEREAS, California's aging population is the fastest growing segment of the state, and is expected to increase from 3.1 million in 1990 to 10.1 million in 2030; and,

WHEREAS, Seniors are a reservoir of experience, practical knowledge and lasting values; and

WHEREAS, Americans aged 50 to 75 years ranked community service second in priority over travel in a recent survey; and,

WHEREAS, Continued involvement in productive activity and the presence of strong social networks are the most important factors contributing to prolonged well-being later in life according to a decade long inquiry by the MacArthur Foundation; and,

WHEREAS, Existing California law requires the state Department of Aging to administer a variety of programs including the Foster Grandparent Program and the Retired Senior Volunteer Program that promote the use of seniors as volunteers in the community; and,

WHEREAS, Assembly Speaker Robert Hertzberg has introduced Assembly Bill 2558 calling for the establishment of a 3 year

SUPERVISOR BECERRIL, BIERMAN, BROWN, KATZ BOARD OF SUPERVISORS neighborhood-based pilot program to promote senior volunteers to work with children and school staff;

WHEREAS, Through the pilot program seniors will assist staff at schools by serving as tutors, mentors, and role models for school children in need; and,

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill 2558 will be greatly beneficial to both seniors and children ; now, therefore, be it RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco urges the State Legislature to adopt Assembly Bill 2558 to establish a three year Neighborhood-Based Pilot Program to promote senior volunteers to work with children and school staff; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to his Honor, The Mayor, with a request that he transmit copies to the delegation from San Francisco in the State Legislature, as well as Governor Davis, with a request that they endorse Assembly Bill 2558.

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Resolution urging the State Legislature to adopt Assembly Bill 2558 to establish a three year neighborhood-based pilot program to promote senior volunteers to work with children and school staff.

July 17, 2000 Board of Supervisors — ADOPTED

Ayes: 10 - Ammiano, Becerril, Bierman, Brown, Kaufman, Leno, Newsom, Teng, Yaki, Yee Absent: 1 - Katz File No. 001273

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was ADOPTED on July 17, 2000 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

on Jean Lum

Acting Clerk of the Board

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Date Approved

Mayor Willie L. Brown Jr.

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